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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Complaint on Post E.C.S.

Docket No. R2001-2 Docket No. MC2001-2

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING SCHEDULING ARGUMENT ON MOTION OF UNITED PARCEL SERVICE FOR PREHEARING CONFERENCE

(Issued October 10, 2001)

Earlier today, intervenor United Parcel Service (UPS) filed a pleading opposing the Postal Service's submission of its Request in this case under the Commission's experimental rules¹ and moving for denial of their application in this proceeding.² In view of the Service's request for consideration of its proposal on a highly expedited basis, I shall direct interested parties to be prepared to present oral argument on the issues raised in the UPS pleading during the prehearing conference to be held on Friday, October 12. Following that argument, I anticipate certifying the issues raised for consideration by the full Commission for expeditious resolution.

¹ 39 C.F.R. § 3001.67 through .67d.

² Comments of United Parcel Service on the Appropriateness of Considering the Postal Service's Proposal under Rules 67 through 67d, and Motion to Deny Application of Those Rules, October 10, 2001.

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Interested parties shall be prepared to present argument on the issued raised in the Comments of United Parcel Service on the Appropriateness of Considering the Postal Service's Proposal under Rules 67 through 67d, and Motion to Deny Application of Those Rules, filed October 10, 2001, during the prehearing conference to be held on Friday, October 12.

Dana B. Covington, Sr.

Presiding Officer